

Please reject NAB's petition 04-160 (and HR 4026). As a free trader, it never makes sense to put tariffs on imported goods or to restrict competition in any form. Satellite radio is using superior technology and business models to drastically change the radio environment. Restricting local content is a non-competitive way to protect market share. Perhaps the local providers will have to scrap their business models and pay satellite radio providers for a little space. Didn't Ted Turner fight this battle in the 70's with cable TV. Eventhough Ted Turner is a liberal idiot, he did change the TV landscape. It is now time to change the radio landscape. As a consumer of satellite radio, I can give you a bit of insight into why this petition was even introduced. In the two years that I have had XM radio, I rarely listen to local radio. Why would I, no commercials, superior sound quality, and more selection for \$10/mos. Now you know why I have XM in both of my cars and in my home. This whole petition sounds like competitive sour grapes. Let the boys compete.